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SUBJECT:STATIONING AND OPERATING OF US NAVY SHIPS IN  
THE GREAT LAKES

1. THE 1946 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CANADA WHICH  
INTERPRETS THE RUSH-BAGOT AGREEMENT TO ALLOW STATIONING  
OF NAVAL VESSELS ON THE GREAT LAKES FOR TRAINING PURPOSES  
(61 STAT. 4082; TIAS 1836; 6 BEVANS 426; 149 UNTS 3)  
PROVIDES "THAT THE STATIONING OF NAVAL VESSELS ON THE  
GREAT LAKES FOR TRAINING PURPOSES BY EITHER THE CANADIAN  
GOVERNMENT OR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SHALL BE  
REGARDED AS CONSISTENT WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE RUSH-BAGOT  
AGREEMENT PROVIDED THAT FULL INFORMATION ABOUT THE NUMBER,  
DISPOSITION, FUNCTIONS AND ARMAMENT OF SUCH VESSELS  
SHALL BE COMMUNICATED BY EACH GOVERNMENT TO THE OTHER  
IN ADVANCE OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF VESSELS TO SERVICE ON  
THE GREAT LAKES."

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2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER NOTE GIVEN PARA 3  
TO NOTIFY GOC OF U.S. PLANS FOR STATIONING AND OPERATING  
OF U.S. NAVY SHIPS IN THE GREAT LAKES DURING THE PERIOD  
AUGUST 10 - SEPTEMBER 12, 1978. THE PURPOSE OF THE

CRUISE IS TO PROVIDE: TRAINING OF NAVAL RESERVE SHIPS'  
CREWS AND RESERVISTS FROM THE NAVAL RESERVE TRAINING

CENTERS IN THE PORTS VISITED, SUPPORT FOR THE NAVAL RECRUITING PROGRAM IN THE AREAS BORDERING THE GREAT LAKES AND SUPPORT FOR THE NAVY PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM.

3. QUOTE: THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE 1946 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA WHICH INTERPRETS THE RUSH-BAGOT AGREEMENT TO ALLOW STATIONING AND OPERATION OF NAVAL VESSELS ON THE GREAT LAKES FOR TRAINING PURPOSES. THE EMBASSY THEREFORE WISHES TO INFORM THE DEPARTMENT THAT FROM ABOUT 10 AUGUST UNTIL ABOUT 12 SEPTEMBER 1978, THERE WILL BE THREE UNITED STATES NAVAL VESSELS ON THE GREAT LAKES EMPLOYED TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR NAVAL RESERVISTS. THE SHIPS ARE LISTED BELOW WITH THEIR DISPLACEMENT IN TONS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE ARMAMENTS:

SHIP	DISPLACE- MENT(TONS)	ARMAMENT
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USS DAVIS (DD-937)	4050	ONE ASROC LAUNCHER, TWO MK
-----		32 TRIPLE TORPEDO TUBES,
-----		TWO 5 INCH 54 CALIBER GUNS.

USS WILLIAM C. LAWE 3480 ONE ASROC LAUNCHER, TWO MK  
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(DD-763) -----	32 TRIPLE TORPEDO TUBES,
-----	FOUR 5 INCH 38 CALIBER
-----	GUNS.

USS ROBERT A. OWENS 3410	ONE ASROC LAUNCHER, TWO MK
(DD-827)-----	32 TRIPLE TORPEDO TUBES,
-----	TWO 5 INCH 38 CALIBER GUNS.

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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